

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks.

Claims 1-10 have been cancelled without prejudice and new claims 11-20 have been added.

(a) With respect to the product claims 11-13, the definition of R_2 and R_3 is amended to encompass tetracyclic 1,3-oxazine compounds directed to Group II which is the elected subject matter of this invention.

(b) With respect to claim 14 (product claim), although the former claim 4 is withdrawn from consideration because it does not include the 1,3-oxazine compounds of Group II. However, we have reworded the former claim 4 as the new claim 14 which includes the 1,3-oxazine compounds of Group II.

(c) With respect to claim 15 (product claim), the former claims 5 and 6 are combined to prepare a new claim 15 including specific 1,3-oxazine compounds and excluding the compounds which are the non-elected subject matter.

(d) With respect to claim 16-18 (process claims), they are corresponding to the former claims 7-9, and remained unchanged. The Applicant is ready to restrict such claims so as to comply with scope of the product claims when the newly proposed product claims are allowed.

(e) With respect to claims 19-20, claim 19 has been added as a composition claim, and claim 20 represents former claim 10 rewritten as a method of use.


In the new claims, the errors noted by the Examiner under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, have been corrected. In addition, the claims have been drafted to improve clarity.

Lastly, there are submitted herewith the PTO form 1449 and copies of the cited references.

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that each ground of objection and rejection set forth in the Action have been overcome, and that the application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, such allowance is solicited.

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